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SUBJECT: ICELANDIC PARLIAMENT COMMITTEE DESIGNATIONS -
FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

1. ALTHING THIS WEEK, DESPITE ABSENCE OF A NEW GOVT, MADE
COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS, BUT WITHOUT DESIGNATING CHAIRMEN
NEW ASSIGNMENTS INCREASED THE PRO-IDF MEMBERSHIP OF FOREIGN
RELATIONS COMMITTEE. COMMITTEE NOW COMPOSED OF:

THORARINN THORARINSSON (PP) - RENAMED. BASED ON RECENT
CONVERSATIONS, SEEMS TO HAVE MODERATED HIS VIEWS ON IDF.

TOMAS ARNASON (PP)-NEW. IS PRO-IDF. EXCELLENT RELATIONS
WITH EMBASSY. REPLACED EYSTEINN JONSSON WHO WAS
ANTI-IDF.

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GILS GUDMUNDSSON (PA) - RENAMED. CONTINUES STRONGLY ANTI-IDF.

JOHANN HAFSTEIN (IP) - RENAMED. STRONGLY PRO-IDF.

MATTHIAS MATHIESEN (IP) - RENAMED. STRONGLY PRO-IDF.

GEIR HALLGRIMSSON (IP) - NEW. STRONGLY PRO IDF. REPLACED MAGNUS TORFI OLAFSSON (OLL) WHO THROUGHOUT YEAR WAS AMBIVALENT BUT IN ELECTION TURNED ANTI IDF.

GYLFI GISLASON (SDP) - RENAMED. STRONGLY PRO- IDF.

2. ALTHING CONTINUES TO IGNORE SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES IN VIEW OF ABSENCE OF GOVT. WILL, HOWEVER, THIS WEEK GO THROUGH FIRST OF TWO REQUIRED READINGS ON NON CONTROVERSIAL BILL AUTHORIZING A ONE BILLION KRONUR, 5 YEAR REFORESTATION, LAND RECLAMATION PROJECT AS GIFT TO ICELANDIC PEOPLE IN COMMEMORATION OF 1100 ANNIVERSARY. ONLY BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED DURING JULY 28 ANNIVERSARY MEETING WILL BE FINAL PASSAGE OF THIS BILL.

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